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Bureau of Special Education FY'15 Memo #16

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To: Superintendents of Schools

Special Education Directors

From: Office of the Commissioner of Education

Division of Educational Improvement

Bureau of Special Education

Re: Guidance for the development of a Special Education Policy and Procedure Manual

The New Hampshire Department of Education (NHDOE), Bureau of Special Education in conjunction with input from parent organizations, representatives of school districts, and the New Hampshire Association of Special Education Administrators (NHASEA), has developed a model Special Education Policies and Procedures Manual that districts can utilize. This manual is compliant with the Federal and State regulations and is available at:

http://www.education.nh.gov/instruction/special_ed/memos.htm

In addition to the manual, there is also a Guide for New Hampshire Special Education Directors to Develop Special Education Policies and Procedures Manual. This manual is available to provide guidance to districts developing their own special education policies and procedures manual. This guide is available at: http://www.education.nh.gov/instruction/special_ed/memos.htm

When considering developing their own special education policies and procedures manual, districts will need to take steps to ensure all of the legal components of the manual are included.

For further clarification, please contact Bridget Brown (603) 271-3776 / Bridget.Brown@doe.nh.gov.

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